Enter the French King and Queen, BURGUNDY, BEDFORD, GLOSTER, EXETER, WESTMORELAND, and other French and English Lords.

BUR. God save your majesty! my royal cousin, teach you our princess English?

K. HEN. I would have her learn, my fair cousin, how perfectly I love her; and that is good English.

BUR. Is she not apt?

K. HEN. Our tongue is rough, coz: and my condition is not smooth[7]: so that, having neither the voice nor the heart of flattery about me, I cannot so conjure up the spirit of love in her, that he will appear in his true likeness.

BUR. Pardon the frankness of my mirth[8], if I answer you for that. If you would conjure in her you must make a circle: if conjure up love in her in his true likeness, he must appear naked, and blind: Can you blame her then, being a maid yet rosed over with the virgin crimson of modesty, if she deny the appearance of a naked blind boy in her naked seeing self? It were, my lord, a hard condition for a maid to consign to.

K. HEN. Yet they do wink, and yield; as love is blind, and enforces.

BUR. They are then excused, my lord, when they see not what they do.

K. HEN. Then, good my lord, teach your cousin to consent to winking.

Henry V.: "Tell thy father from me, that none in the world should sooner have persuaded me" &c. STEEVENS.

7 — my CONDITION is not smooth:] *Condition* is *temper*. So, in King Henry IV. Part I. Act I. Sc. III.:

"....—my *condition*,
"Which has been smooth as oil," &c.

See vol. xvi. p. 208. n. 7. STEEVENS.

8 Pardon the frankness of my mirth,] We have

here but a mean
dialogue for princes ; the merriment is very gross,
and the senti-
ments are very worth less„ JOHNSON.